

Senate Resolution 55 - Introduced

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1 1 SENATE RESOLUTION NO. ____
1 2 BY OLIVE
1 3 A Resolution to honor Webster City and Hamilton
1 4 County, Iowa, on their sesquicentennial anniversary.
1 5 WHEREAS, in 1854, Wilson Brewer moved his family to
1 6 a cabin on a creek, west of the Boone River, later
1 7 known as Brewers Creek; and
1 8 WHEREAS, that site was soon platted as the town of
1 9 Newcastle; and
1 10 WHEREAS, by Act of the General Assembly, the town
1 11 of Newcastle was renamed Webster City and Hamilton
1 12 County was formed, effective January 1, 1857, with
1 13 Webster City designated the county seat; and
1 14 WHEREAS, through the tireless efforts of Walter C.
1 15 Willson, Webster City experienced phenomenal growth,
1 16 with Mr. Willson constructing 133 buildings, four
1 17 hotels, three railroads, and contributing more to the
1 18 success of Webster City than any other person; and
1 19 WHEREAS, two of Webster City's favorite sons are
1 20 Pulitzer Prize winning authors, as MacKinlay Kantor
1 21 was born in Webster City in 1904, wrote over 40
1 22 novels, and his master work, Andersonville, won the
1 23 Pulitzer Prize for Literature in 1956, and as Clark
1 24 Mollenhoff graduated from Webster City High School and
1 25 Webster City Junior College, and as a Des Moines
1 26 Register reporter won the Pulitzer Prize in 1958 for
1 27 national reporting; and
1 28 WHEREAS, in the 21st century both the community and
1 29 the county continue to prosper, with Webster City
1 30 being a bustling community home to over 8,000 Iowans,
2 1 and with Hamilton County having a population of over
2 2 16,000; and
2 3 WHEREAS, On June 28, 29, and 30, 2007, Webster City
2 4 and Hamilton County will celebrate their
2 5 sesquicentennial anniversary, starting with a
2 6 sesquicentennial celebration stage play on June 28, a
2 7 teen dance and a rodeo at the Hamilton County
2 8 Fairgrounds on June 29, followed by day-long
2 9 festivities on June 30, featuring an omelet breakfast
2 10 at Twin Parks, a parade, a noon food fair at West Twin
2 11 Parks, afternoon activities at East and West Twin
2 12 Parks and Swimming Pool, an evening street dance on
2 13 Seneca Street, fireworks from 7B Ranch, and evening
2 14 races at Hamilton County Raceway; NOW THEREFORE,
2 15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Senate
2 16 congratulates the residents of Webster City and
2 17 Hamilton County on their sesquicentennial anniversary
2 18 and invites all Iowans to make a trip to Webster City
2 19 and Hamilton County a part of their summer vacation
2 20 plans and to take part in the celebrations on June 28,
2 21 29, and 30, 2007.
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